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a determination step of determining whether the first process related to the identification name designated in said identification name designation step has been performed; and

an execution-step of performing, when the performance of the first process is determined in said determination step, the second process that is set up with the identification-name-related-to-the-first-process.

REMARKS

Applicants request reconsideration and allowance of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

Claims 1-21, 23, 24, 27-30, 32, 33, and 36-38 are pending in the present application. Claims 1, 10, 19, 20, 29, and 38 are the independent claims.

Claims 1, 10, 19, 20, 29 and 38 have been amended. No new matter is believed to be added.

Claims 1-21, 23, 24, 27-30, 32, 33, and 36-38 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,291,302 (Gordon, et al.). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Independent Claim 1 recites, <u>inter alia</u>, execution means for executing a command set up by a user by a setup means when the process designated by a process designation means is performed on object information related to an identification name designated by a user by an identification name designation means. Independent Claims 10 and 19 correspond generally to independent Claim 1 and recite similar features in method and storage medium forms, respectively.

Independent Claim 20 recites, <u>inter alia</u>, execution means for performing, when the performance of a first process is determined by a determination means, a second process that is set up by a user with an identification name designated by a user related to the first process. Independent Claims 29 and 38 correspond generally to independent Claim 20 and recite similar features in method and storage medium forms, respectively.

However, Applicants respectfully submit that the asserted citation does not teach or suggest at least the aforementioned features of independent Claims 1, 10, 19, 20, 29, and 38.

Gordon, et al. relates to a facsimile telecommunications system and method and teaches that during a fax operation (i) an originating machine transmits fax document image data and (ii) that Store and Forward Facilities (SAFF) store the originating machine's identification, the destination machine's telephone number, the fax format, and the document image data to return so as to (i) generate an "Acceptance Record" which is returned to the originating machine and to (2) deliver the fax message to the destination machine 28. (Gordon, et al., col. 7, lines 4-20). Gordon, et al. also teaches that a message is returned to the originating machine for each fax transmission. Specifically, Gordon, et al. teaches:

- (i) that when a fax transmission is successful, a "Delivery Record" is returned to the originating machine;
- (ii) that when a fax transmission is unsuccessful or the line is busy, a "Retry Record" is returned to the originating machine; and
- (iii) that when a retry effort is ultimately unsuccessful, a "Delivery Record" is appended to a "Transaction File" and sent back to the originating machine.

(<u>Gordon</u>, et al., Col. 9, lines 1-40). Further, <u>Gordon</u>, et al. teaches allowing a user to select a disposition option when a transmission is unsuccessful. (<u>Gordon</u>, et al., Col. 10, lines 3-8).

However, in contrast to the present invention as recited in independent Claims 1, 10, 19, 20, 29, and 38, <u>Gordon, et al.</u> teaches sending a notification for all fax documents in accordance with the transmission result.

For the foregoing reasons, Applicants submit that the independent claims patentably define the present application over the citations of record. Further, the dependent claims should also be allowable for the same reasons as the base claims from which they depend and further due to the additional features that they recite. Separate and individual consideration of each of the dependent claims is respectfully requested.

Applicants submit that this Amendment After Final Rejection clearly places the subject application in condition for allowance. This Amendment was not earlier presented because Applicant believed that the prior Amendment placed the subject application in condition for allowance. Accordingly, entry of the instant Amendment as an earnest attempt to advance prosecution and reduce the number of issues is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE TO THE CLAIMS

(Twice Amended) An information processing apparatus comprising:
 identification name designation means for designating an identification name related
to object information by a user;

process designation means for designating a process for the object information by the user;

setup means for setting up a command to be executed, by the user; and execution means for executing the command set up by said setup means when the process designated by said process designation means is performed on the object information related to the identification name designated by said identification name designation means.

10. (Twice Amended) An information processing method comprising: an identification designation step of designating an identification name related to object information by a user;

a process designation step of designating a process for the object information by the user;

a setup step of setting up a command to be executed, by the user; and
an execution step of executing the command set up in said setup step when the process
designated in said process designation step is performed on the object information related to the
identification name designated in said identification name designation step.

19. (Twice Amended) A storage medium on which is stored a program, which

comprises:

an identification name designation step of designating an identification name related

to object information by a user;

a process designation step of designating a process for the object information by the

user;

a setup step of setting up a command to be executed, by the user; and

an execution step of executing the command set up in said setup step when the process

designated in said process designation step is performed on the object information related to the

identification name designated in said identification name designation step.

20. (Twice Amended) An information processing apparatus comprising:

identification name designation means for designating by a user, an identification

name related to a first process, a performance of which is employed as an execution condition for

a second process to be performed;

setup means for setting up by the user, together with the identification name related to

the first process, the second process that is to be performed when the first process related to the

identification name designated by said identification name designation means has been

performed;

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determination means for determining whether the first process related to the identification name designated by said identification name designation means has been performed; and

execution means for performing, when the performance of the first process is determined by said determination means, the second process that is set up with the identification name related to the first process.

> 29. (Amended) An information processing method comprising:

an identification name step of designating by a user, an identification name related to a first process, a performance of which is employed as an execution condition for a second process to be performed;

a setup step of setting up by the user, together with the identification name related to the first process, the second process that is to be performed when the first process related to the identification name designated in said identification name designation step has been performed;

a determination step of determining whether the first process related to the identification name designated in said identification name designation step has been performed; and

an execution step of performing, when the performance of the first process is determined in said determination step, the second process that is set up with the identification name related to the first process.

38. (Amended) A storage medium on which is stored a program, which

comprises:

an identification name step of designating by a user, an identification name related to a

first process, a performance of which is employed as an execution condition for a second process

to be performed;

a setup step of setting up by the user, together with the identification name related to

the first process, the second process that is to be performed when the first process related to the

identification name designated in said identification name designation step has been performed;

a determination step of determining whether the first process related to the

identification name designated in said identification name designation step has been performed;

and

an execution step of performing, when the performance of the first process is

determined in said determination step, the second process that is set up with the identification

name related to the first process.

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